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♥ BARRY

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Hey Barry, I just wanted to check, do you think you'll be able to come over to visit?



Oh, um, sorry Cornelius, but I'm going to be spending Kissmas with my family on a trip. We're driving up to a lodge in Disa Point to meet with some relatives as a sort of reunion thing.

...ah... I see...
that's okay, I
understand.



...I hope you
have a nice time!

Thank you,
Cornelius!

SIGH





Hey, what's the word
on Gangrene coming?





He's going to some family
reunion thing for Kissmas,
so he won't be available...



Ah... that's too bad. Jay has his family thing going on too. And Hemmy doesn't celebrate Kissmas...

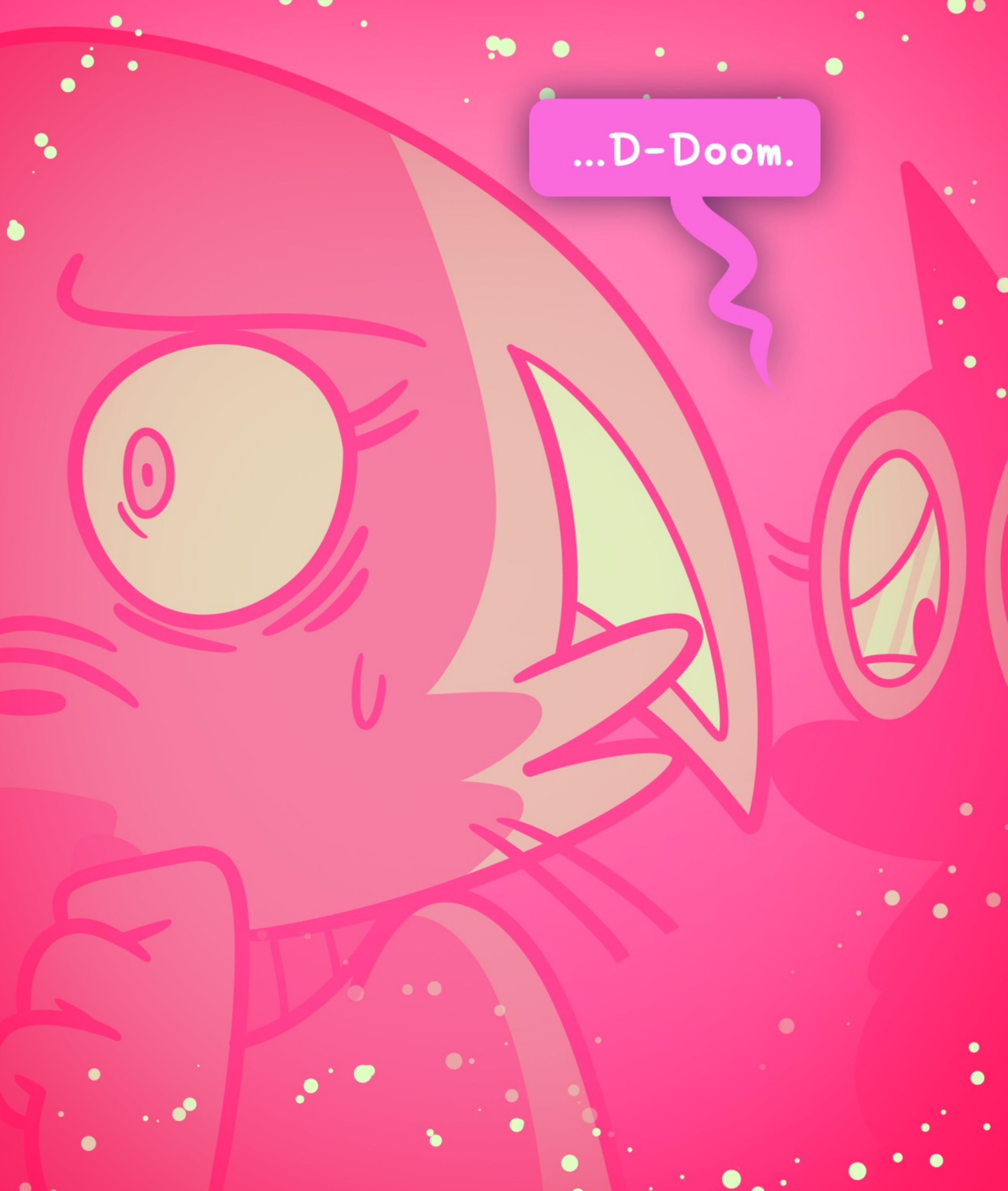
I wonder who else we could ask.





a-ahem Um...
there's someone I
wanted to invite.

Who might
that be?



...D-Doom.



P-please, Carrie, he's been my boyfriend for over half a year... you promised me you'd try to be more supportive.

...I-I know I did, but we've had this conversation a million times.

Can you please try and understand? I'm in love with him... I know you have issues with him but he means so much to me. It's not like I don't love you just as much as him.



T-this isn't a jealousy thing, if that's what you're trying to insinuate.

I know that's at least part of it. Why is it okay for you to be with other people like Jay or Kiki but I'm not allowed to do the same?

Jay and Kiki didn't used to be serial killers though. If you and Barry got together it would be different.



Would it?
Would it really?
You hate Barry.

Or maybe you just hate not being the



only thing that makes me happy.





...I-I'm sorry.
I didn't mean to
say it like that.



...you can invite him. I-I'm sorry. I don't wanna mess up Kissmas for us just because I have dumb feelings.

...thank you.
I promise
it'll be okay.

...I hope so...

BZZZT

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HELLO?



Hi Doomy!
Do you have
a sec?

OH, YEAH!
I HAVE A
LOT OF SECS!



GIGGLE



Do you really?





A cartoon illustration of a purple cat with a speech bubble. The cat has large, expressive eyes and is looking slightly to the right. The speech bubble is red with white, bubbly text that reads: "...AAAAAAATHAT'S NOT WHAT I MEANT". The background is a light purple color with small yellow dots.

...AAAAAAATHAT'S NOT WHAT I MEANT

Heheh, anyways... I wanted to ask if you could come over this Kissmas. I don't know if you have something planned with Mood and Rem or...





O-OH... REALLY?
I MEAN... AT YOUR
PLACE? WITH CARRIE?

I got her permission.
With some pushing.

I'm a little nervous as to
how she's gonna behave
but I don't care, I think it
would be good for us.

For you two.

I MEAN... I THINK
IT WOULD BE NICE...



I JUST DON'T WANT TO
CAUSE PROBLEMS FOR
YOU. I WORRY A LOT
ABOUT THAT.



She's gonna have to get over herself eventually because I'm not leaving you. Please come. It would mean a lot to have you both here.

WELL... ALRIGHT.
I CAN COME. JUST
LET ME KNOW WHEN.



I'm gonna be with my family from the 9th to the 12th for my hatchday, but Carrie and I are gonna be home from the 3rd to the 8th.

What about on the 6th?

SURE! THAT WORKS!



Thank you Doomy.
I love you.

I LOVE YOU TOO, KNEEZ.



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A cartoon illustration featuring two characters against a red background with white dots. On the left, a large character with large green eyes, a pink nose, and a wide, open mouth is shown from the chest up. A speech bubble above them contains the text "Doomy!!!". To the right, another character is partially visible, showing a large green eye and a pink nose. The style is colorful and expressive.

Doomy!!!



It's so so so
nice to have you
here...

I-IT'S NICE TO BE
HERE....! LEMME INSIDE,
IT'S COLD!!...



We've already got
dinner on, it should
be ready soon.



I HAVE PRESENTS...
WHAT DO I DO WITH
THEM?

Oh!!! Oh, you're so
sweet Doomy... you can
put them under the tree.

ALRIGHTY...!





...hi.

H-HELLO!

Um... it's nice
to have you here.

T-THANK YOU!!!!...

AM I THE FIRST ONE HERE?

You're actually the only person who's coming. A lot of the others are busy with their own families and stuff this week.

OH... I SEE...

Oh!! That's dinner now!
Come to the kitchen, I
have almost everything set up.





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SO WHAT'S BARRY UP TO?

He's in Disa Point for a family reunion. I'm a little worried for him because I know he has some issues with some of his relatives...

I'm sure he'll be okay though.

I CAN'T IMAGINE IT'S EASY FOR YOU GUYS TO BE SO FAR FROM HOME.



My parents really wished I lived closer,
but I like it out here. Besides, it's good
we're taking advantage of
the housing compensation.

MOOD AND I REALLY APPRECIATE
THAT TOO... NEITHER OF US ARE
WORKING RIGHT NOW, IF NOT FOR
THIS WE'D PROBABLY BE HOMELESS.



S-Sometimes it
just feels so... wrong.



I know it's been a couple years now, but... I don't know if I'm ever going to be able to fully accept the way things turned out.

I mean, I should be happy, it's over... but at what cost?
Lying to everyone?



DWELLING ON WHAT'S RIGHT OR
WRONG NEVER DID US ANY GOOD.
IT'S BEST TO JUST TRY AND LET
GO, AS MUCH AS IT HURTS.

...s-sorry, I don't know why
I brought that up again.

Not exactly a festive topic.

...EVERYTHING KINDA CIRCLES
BACK TO THAT, ANYWAYS.



Hey Carrie, what did
you say Jay was
doing for Kissmas?



...C-Carrie? Is
Something wrong?



Um... no, sorry. I don't know. I think they're with their mom.



...a-ah, okay!



I have presents
for both of you!



I DO TOO!







You got me a
present?



I-I DID! I HOPE
IT'S GOOD...

...I-I'm sorry, I
didn't get
you anything.

THAT'S OKAY, I WASN'T
EXPECTING ANYTHING IN
RETURN. I JUST WANTED
TO BE NICE.

RIP







I-IT'S A CHEWY NECKLACE! I KNOW
YOU'RE GETTING BETTER ABOUT
THAT, BUT UNI SAID YOU STILL
STRUGGLE SOMETIMES... I
THOUGHT IT WOULD HELP.



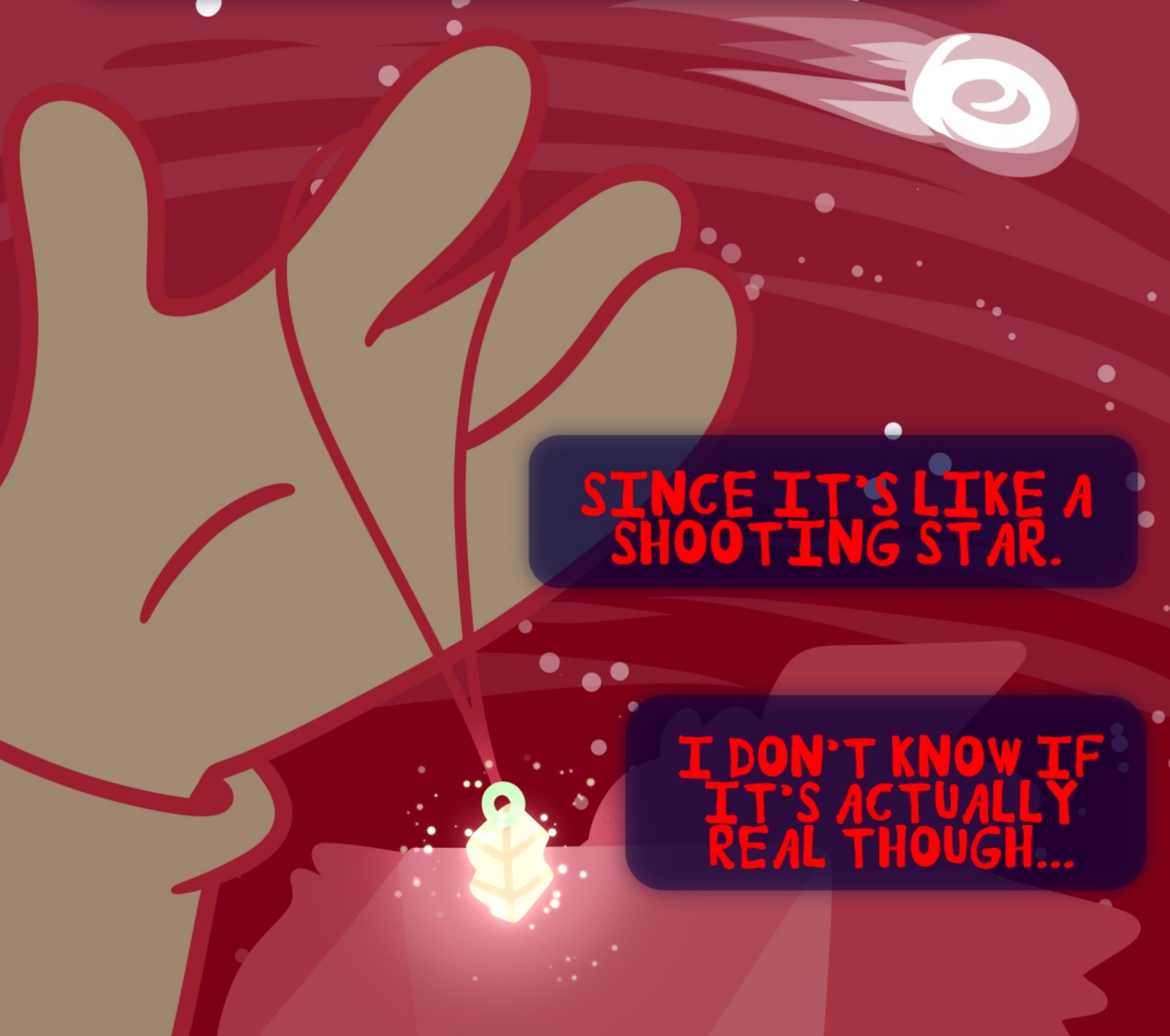
...t-thank you.



RIP

IT'S MADE OF METEORITE.

THE PERSON AT THE JEWELRY
STORE SAID IT CAN MANIFEST
DREAMS AND WISHES,

A stylized illustration of a hand wearing a ring. The ring has a large, faceted yellow gemstone that looks like a meteorite, with a trail of small white dots behind it, suggesting it's falling or has just landed. The hand is light brown with red outlines, set against a dark red background with radial patterns.

SINCE IT'S LIKE A
SHOOTING STAR.

I DON'T KNOW IF
IT'S ACTUALLY
REAL THOUGH...

O-oh... Doomy...
I love it...



Thank you...
I love you...

I-I LOVE
YOU TOO...

...C-Carrie?



Carrie...

What's wrong...?

I-I'm tired of you two acting like everything is normal and like nothing ever happened!!! It's just like what the government is doing to us!!!

They're making us lie and never speak out in exchange for normal lives! That's what you're doing too! You're just pretending nothing happened so you can have a totally normal relationship!!!

We already have to pretend we were never tortured, why do you two get to just move on so easily?! I can't move on!! Doom, you never actually apologized for separating us!

Uni, it hurts that you're just forgetting he did that to us without him ever owning up to it!!!

YOU'RE JUST LIVING LIES!!!

...is that what you're
actually upset about?

Yeah! It is! It is what I'm
upset about! Maybe I just acted
like his other actions were my
reasons because I felt like my true
feelings were irrational and an
overreaction because you were
able to look past it like it was
nothing!!!

M-m-maybe I'm just hurt
that you're so willing to easily
forgive others like Barry for
being shitty to you but you get
mad at me when I just care about
you and am trying to stick up for
you!!!

M-maybe I'm wishing
you were more understanding
of how I feel!!!



A-AND-M-MAYBE I'M A LITTLE
JEALOUS TOO BECAUSE I LIKED HIM
BEFORE YOU EVER EVEN CONSIDERED IT!!!







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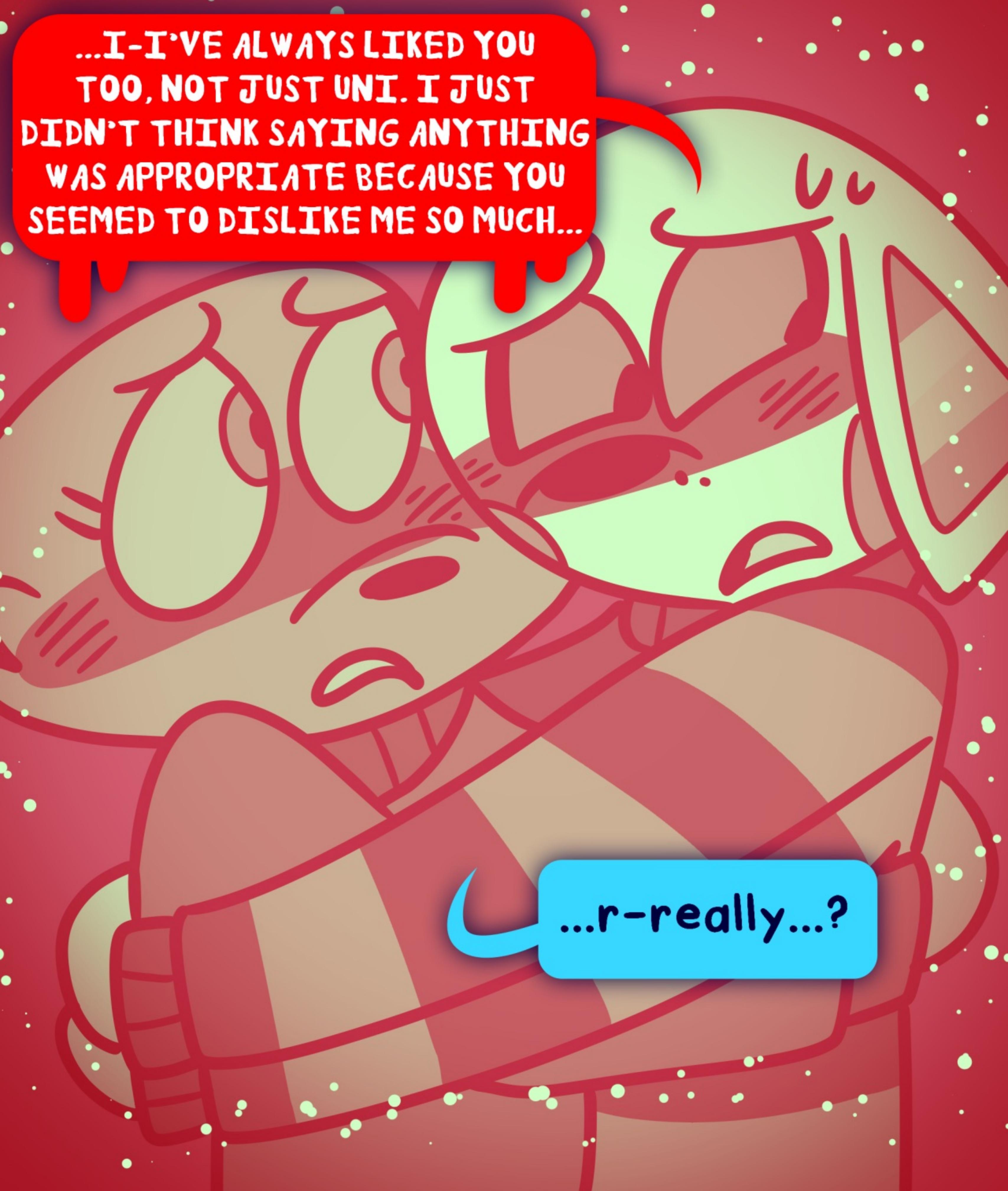








...s-sorry... I... don't
know why I said that...



...I-I'VE ALWAYS LIKED YOU
TOO, NOT JUST UNI. I JUST
DIDN'T THINK SAYING ANYTHING
WAS APPROPRIATE BECAUSE YOU
SEEMED TO DISLIKE ME SO MUCH...

...r-really...?







SOB

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SNIFFLE

H-hey, if you've always
liked me, does that mean
you liked it when I
pretended to flirt
with you?

...U-UUMMM...

Yes.

U-UNI!!!

What? You
weren't gonna
say it.

...w-well I guess now you know
it was kind of genuine. Cuz I've always
liked you. I just... had issues.

...W-WELL I'M SORRY
FOR NEVER GIVING YOU
THE APOLOGY YOU DESERVED.
GIVING IT NOW, I'M SORRY FOR
GETTING YOU TWO SEPARATED.

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So were you
jealous, then?

U-UH... T-T-THAT'S...
A LOADED QUESTION.

You didn't say no.

He was.

UNI, PLEASE!!!

What? You weren't
gonna say it!



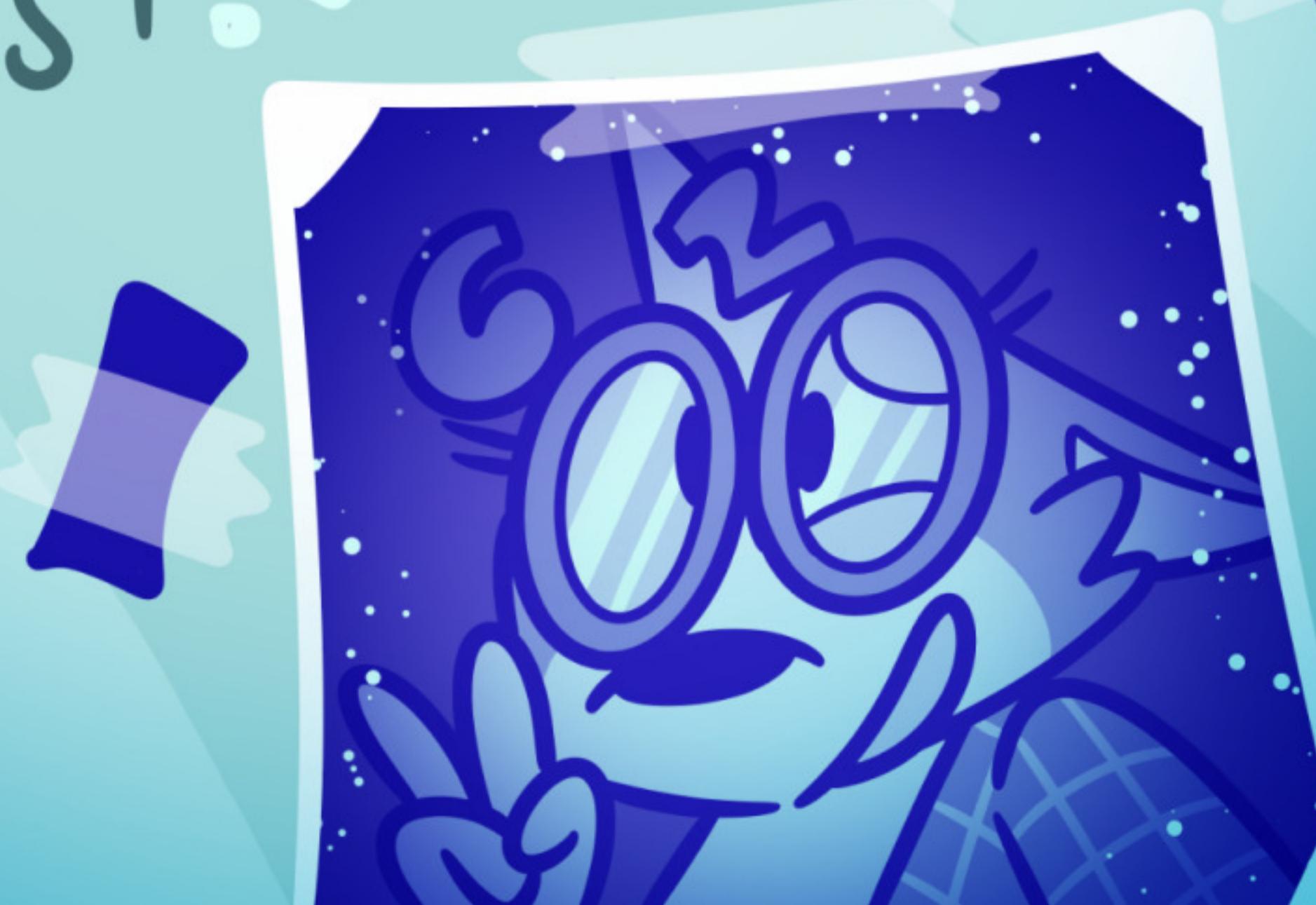
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